

# AGREEMENT IN CHUNGKING

## Re-Constitution Of National Assembly Agreed

### Membership Now To Be 2,050

CHUNGKING, JAN. 31. AN AGREEMENT ON THE MAJOR POLITICAL PROBLEM BEFORE THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE — MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY — WAS ANNOUNCED TONIGHT.

THE ACCORD BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE ISSUE WHICH HAS BEEN OF MOMENTOUS IMPORTANCE IN THE PROLONGED INTER-PARTY NEGOTIATIONS BROKE A DEADLOCK WHICH HAS PERSISTED FOR DAYS IN THE CONFERENCE. THE SOLUTION OF THE STALEMATE HAS BEEN A STEP OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THE WHOLE COUNTRY.

The standing committee of the Kuomintang has approved all decisions reached by the conference.

Under the sub-committee agreement, the National Assembly will consist of 2,050 members, with the sole task of adoption of the draft constitution which will be revised by the 35-member all-party and non-partisan commission.

The assembly is scheduled to meet on May 5.

Under the agreement, the Assembly will include 900 members, chosen before the war, of whom the Government says 60 per cent are Kuomintang Party members. (Other groups claim the percentage is higher).

Four hundred and fifty seats will be filled by elections, including 150 apportioned to Manchuria and Formosa.

The remaining 700 are to be filled by nominations, apportioned as follows: Kuomintang 220; Communists 190; Democratic League 120; Youth Party 100; non-partisan 70.

### IMPORTANT CONCESSIONS

(By Doon Campbell).

CHUNGKING, JAN. 31. AFTER A FORTNIGHT'S BARGAINING, THE KUOMINTANG (GOVERNMENT PARTY) AND THE COMMUNISTS HAVE GIVEN WAY ON CERTAIN POINTS, MODIFIED THEIR DEMANDS AND ADOPTED A MORE CONCILIATORY APPROACH TO THE POST-WAR PROBLEMS FACING THEM. THIS HAS GIVEN A NEW PROMISE OF THE EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF DEMOCRACY IN CHINA.

THE INTER-PARTY POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL IS READY TO WIND UP AS SOON AS THE LAST SUB-COMMITTEE WORKS OUT THE DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERS TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH ON MAY 5 WILL ADOPT THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

Inter-party negotiations on the allocation of Ministries with, and without portfolios, in the Executive Yuan (Cabinet) of the re-organized government will continue after dissolution of the Political Consultative Council.

Here are a few of the big concessions emerging from the talks: Although Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will be the unchallenged Head of State, he will have less authority as President by the Kuomintang's withdrawal of his emergency powers.

Half the councillorships in the State Council, which will be the highest governmental organ, will go to the minority parties and non-partisans.

### SUCCESS FACTORS

The Communists have agreed to reduce their armed forces to

### CANTON STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE

Canton, Jan. 31. Students of San Yatsen University demonstrated yesterday against continuance of American troops in China, against British administration of Hong Kong and against the living allowance granted to them.

The students are trying to get university subsidies to supply them with food instead of the \$2,500 (Cen) monthly allowance which they say is barely enough for two meals a day by current living cost standards. The students virtually have no voice in university administration.

### Atom Bomb Era Warship

Washington, Jan. 31. The super-battleship "Kentucky" now being built may be the first American dreadnought built to fit atomic bomb era specifications.

Commander Frank Nash told the House Naval Committee today there would be a review of the design of the 45,000-ton warship after the results of the atomic bomb tests this spring had been assessed. Among other things the Navy wants to see the damage done to the super-structure of warships.

New York Representative Cole criticized the Navy for agreeing to scrap 37 ships under construction. — Associated Press.

### NATIONALISING COAL INDUSTRY

LONDON, JAN. 31. THE CONSERVATIVE AMENDMENT, REJECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S BILL TO NATIONALISE THE COAL INDUSTRY, WAS DEFEATED BY 359 TO 182 VOTES IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TONIGHT AND THE BILL WAS READ A SECOND TIME WITHOUT DIVISION.

IT WILL NOW BE DEBATED IN DETAIL BY A SMALL ALL-PARTY COMMITTEE AND THEN GO TO THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, winding up the debate said that the Conservatives had no real and practicable alternative to what the Government was aiming at.

Private enterprise could not provide capital for the reorganization of the industry without the help of the State.

"If the State is going to be behind it to provide guarantees, I say, let it own the show," Mr. Morrison added.

Mr. Richard MacMillan, chief Conservative speaker to-day, urged that this state monopoly should be subjected to a strong independent review which ought to have been included in the terms of the bill.

He asked what would be the future of trade unions under nationalisation.

It seemed that they would become either masters or servants of the State and either was equally bad.

MAGIC WORD

Major Lloyd George, Liberal and former Minister of Fuel and Power, who has been taking an independent line from the Liberal Party in recent months, said that the Government's coal nationalisation bill would not get much coal.

Resuming the debate, he said: "I have always felt that too much stress is laid on ownership and too little on reorganisation. 'Nationalisation' is a magic word. Thousands believe that the cure for the situation is in that word."

"The miners would get a new boss but I am not sure from 'the miners' point of view that it is a good swap."

He said that he assumed the miners would receive the same lamp from the same mine, descend the same cage, reach the same road and presumably see the same expression on the face of the pony (laughter). — Reuter.

### GOING AHEAD

Jerusalem, Jan. 31. General Sir Alan Cunningham, Palestine High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief, yesterday told the Palestine Arab Higher Committee that the British Government had decided to allow fifteen hundred Jews to enter Palestine each month, pending the completion of the Anglo-American Commission of Enquiry. — Reuter.

### Hitler Bomb Plot Secret Revealed

NUERNBERG, JAN. 31. SECRET DOCUMENTS HITHERTO UNPUBLISHED SAY THAT THE LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, MR. CHURCHILL AND VATICAN OFFICIALS HAD FOREKNOWLEDGE OF THE BOMB PLOT AGAINST HITLER MONTHS BEFORE IT HAPPENED IN 1944.

FIELD-MARSHAL BARON CARL GUSTAV MANNERHEIM, OF FINLAND, AND MARSHAL PIETRO BADOLIO, OF ITALY, WERE AMONG OTHERS NAMED IN THESE DOCUMENTS AS FAMILIAR WITH THE "PLAN VALKYRIE" WHICH WAS THE CODE NAME FOR THE JULY 20 ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT.

A German statement by Dr. Josef Goebbels, propaganda chief under Goebbels, said that Mr. Churchill was deceived by a Swedish intelligence agent.

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### COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF PROMOTED

IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT REAR-ADMIRAL SIR CECIL HAR-COURT, K.C.B., C.B.E. HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF VICE-ADMIRAL, WITH EFFECT FROM TODAY.

A young and vigorous man still, Vice-Admiral Harcourt is one joined the Royal Naval College as a Cadet in 1904, working his way up to Commander in 1925.

Between then and 1933, when he was promoted to Captain, he received the command of various ships. For two years he was on loan to the Royal Australian Navy and commanded H.M. Australian fleet of destroyers.

In 1937 he returned to the Admiralty Operations Division as Deputy Director and as Director until 1941.

For these services he was awarded the C.B.E. in 1941.

As Captain of the "Duke of York" he took Mr. Churchill to America to confer with President Roosevelt directly after Pearl Harbor. He then took the "Duke of York" on convoy work taking supplies to Russia and was promoted to Rear-Admiral in July, 1942. He then commanded the 10th, 12th and 15th Cruiser Squadrons, taking part in the landings in North Africa, for which he was awarded the U.S. Legion of Merit.

Later he was awarded the C.B. (Commander of the Bath) in the Tunisian campaign. In January, 1944, he was appointed Naval Secretary to the First Lord of the Admiralty and in March, 1945, joined the British Pacific Fleet in command of the 11th aircraft Carrier Squadron and was in command of the Task Group which entered and re-occupied Hong Kong in 1945, flying his flag in H.M.S. "Indomitable". He received the K.C.B. "for services in Europe" towards the end of last year.

### Nothing Cheap And Squalid

Houses will be going up this year in very great numbers, the Health Minister, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, told the National Federation of building trades employers.

"I am anxious that we shall not try to solve the housing problem by lowering building standards by driving down prices," he said.

"It would be lamentable if we allowed ourselves in this emergency to be driven into building cheap and squalid houses that would haunt us for the rest of our lives." — Reuter.

### Room For Give And Take

The situation in both countries is extremely serious and the case made out by the Soviet Union and Ukraine must be given urgent consideration. — Reuter.

### Diphtheria Outbreak Aboard Convoy

SINGAPORE, JAN. 31. AN R.A.F. SUNDERLAND FLYING BOAT FROM SELETTAR YESTERDAY PUT DOWN IN A HEAVY SWELL 270 MILES OUT IN THE OPEN SEA BETWEEN SINGAPORE AND JAVA TO BRING MEDICAL AID TO SICK SOLDIERS IN A TROOP CONVOY.

THREE TANK LANDING CRAFT, LADEN WITH SOLDIERS AND ESCORTED BY A FRIGATE, H.M.S. LOCK KILLFORD, WERE BOUND FOR SINGAPORE FROM JAVA, WHEN ONE OF THE PASSENGERS FELL ILL WITH DIPHTHERIA.

The frigate, radioed for assistance and a naval vessel was sent out with a doctor on board. Before this vessel could reach the convoy, two other men fell ill and another radio call appeared for help to be flown out. Surgeon Lieutenant Reesburgh, R.N., hurried to Selattar and took off in a Sunderland flying boat.

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# CASE FOR R.A.F. STRIKERS

LONDON, JAN. 31. COMMENTING ON THE STRIKE OF R.A.F. PERSONNEL IN INDIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST, THE "DAILY MAIL" TODAY SAYS: "THESE MEN APPROACH THE BOUNDARY OF MUTINY WITH WHAT APPEARS TO THEM TO BE A GOOD CAUSE."

"WHY ARE THEY DOING IT? THERE ARE FOUR MAIN FACTORS WHICH IN THE MINDS OF THE AIRMEN HAVE FORCED THEM TO SUCH UNWISE ACTION:

"One—they are dissatisfied with the way the Air Ministry is operating the release scheme. Thousands of airmen are being held back just because they are dental assistants, physical instructors, fitters, equipment assistants, clerks and cooks, some of which trades only require four weeks of training, which many hundreds of new entrants could have passed long ago."

"Two—the airmen are frankly sceptical when the Air Ministry state that lack of transport is the cause of the delayed demobilisation."

"Men in the Middle East have been on the spot to witness transport misuse."

"Three—men of the ground staff feel very bitter when they have to help planes take off or unload very important persons and be told that they cannot return to England for their release because of the shortage of passenger carrying planes."

"Four—that in the Royal Air Force the age plus service principle of release has been betrayed."

"Releases in the Army are based on that principle; in the Air Force age and length of service are not determinant factors."

"Prime Minister Attlee must explain the position, promise to remove all legitimate grievances, undertake to see that there are no unnecessary delays in demobilisation and guarantee that no man due for release is retarded." — Reuter.

### R.A.F. STRIKE CALLED OFF

New Delhi, Jan. 31. The strike by R.A.F. personnel at Cawnpore has been called off by its leaders pending consideration by higher authorities of their demands which have been sent home.

Eight hundred and fifty R.A.F. men at Lahore also returned to work. — Associated Press.

### FIGHTING WAY TO SURRENDER

Beiping, Jan. 30. A battalion of 1,200 Japanese troops were reported today to-day to be cutting their way through Chinese Communist forces in an effort to reach Tientsin to surrender to Central Government troops.

Members of a "truce team" said they were told the Japanese commander promised to surrender to Gen. Li Tsung-shen, the Government commander in North China, but refused to turn over his troops' arms to the Communists.

Authorities sent instructions to the battalion not to move, pending clarification from the executive headquarters at Peiping. — Associated Press.

### Lord Louis Due In Colony To-day

ADMIRAL LORD LOUIS MOUNTBATTEN IS ARRIVING TODAY TO VISIT THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND TO CONSULT WITH HIM ON ADMINISTRATIVE PROBLEMS. HE WILL STAY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Enquiries have been received as to exactly what responsibility Admiral Mountbatten has towards this Colony. In order to clarify the position, the facts are set forth below.

While the Commander-in-Chief, Hong Kong, is in command of the Military and Royal Air Force personnel in the Colony, SACSEA is responsible for their supplies and administration in a similar way that the Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet, is responsible for the supplies and administration of the Naval personnel here. SACSEA is also responsible for the Civil Affairs matters. Priorities for Hong Kong have to be considered in conjunction with supplies for areas in South East Asia Command.

### PEAK TRAM STRIKE

THE PEAK TRAM SERVICE WAS SUSPENDED YESTERDAY FOLLOWING A STRIKE OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES WHEN DEMANDS FOR A REVISION OF WORKING CONDITIONS AND PAYMENT OF A VICTORY BONUS AS PAID BY OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY CONCERNS WERE NOT MET.

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# TRUMAN'S LOAN MESSAGE

## Call To Congress For Quick Action

### New Red Demands

Chungking, Jan. 31. With both Government and Communist refusing concessions the deadlock continued yesterday over the composition of the National Assembly in sub-committee handling.

The sub-committee failure to arrive at a decision coincided with rumours that the Communist leaders at Yenan failed to ratify some decisions reached by other sub-committees of the unity conference.

According to these rumours, the Communist leaders have given the National Assembly a number of new demands. There was no indication of the nature of these new demands.

Chou En-lai had returned to Chungking from Yenan where he has been to consult the Communist Party chairman Mao Tse-tung. From Yenan Associated Press correspondent John Roderick reported on Jan. 28 that Chou En-lai said "everything is going well—there is hope of success."—Associated Press.

## U.N.O. Compromise On First Test

LONDON, JAN. 31. THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE RUSSIAN DELEGATION, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY LAST NIGHT TO TURN THE RUSSO-IRANIAN DISPUTE OVER TO DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN MOSCOW AND TEHRAN.

THE COUNCIL IN ITS RESOLUTION, HOWEVER, RETAINED THE RIGHT TO "REQUEST INFORMATION ON THE PROGRESS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS."

### Up Against Blank Wall

Chungking, Jan. 31. Government and Communist negotiators yesterday refused to budge on China's one major unresolved issue—whether party shall have the widest voice in adopting the nation's new constitution.

The Communists are reported to be laying down fresh demands and hopes would end on Thursday as scheduled.

Government is reported to have offered further success a plan whereby its Kuomintang Party would retain a majority in the National Assembly which will meet on May 5 to act on the new constitution.—Associated Press.

#### HEAD HELICAT

Pearl Harbour, Jan. 30. Commander Earl T. Hydemann, leader of the legendary "Hydemann's Helicopters" an undersize war pack, arrived yesterday aboard his submarine "Scorpio" en route to San Francisco.

Helicopters nine submarines cut Japan's last surface supply line during the closing days of the war and they are credited with the sinking of 31 ships and 10 small craft totalling 105,000 tons.—Associated Press.

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## Facing Trouble In Senate

WASHINGTON, JAN. 31. PRESIDENT TRUMAN CALLED ON CONGRESS YESTERDAY FOR SPEEDY APPROVAL OF THE \$3,750,000,000 LOAN AGREEMENT WITH BRITAIN.

"BRITAIN NEEDS THIS CREDIT AND SHE NEEDS IT NOW," SAID THE PRESIDENT IN A JOINT MESSAGE TO THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE.

"It will enable her to buy from the world supplies of food and raw materials which are essential to the life and work of the British people."

"At the same time it will keep open a market for those supplies of the United States which are customarily exported to the United Kingdom. These are the important short term purposes of the credit."

More important from the American point of view, however, said the President, is to remove emergency controls exercised by the United Kingdom over its international transactions, far more speedily than is required by the Bretton Woods agreements.

"The financial agreement will enable the United Kingdom, through prompt relaxation of exchange restrictions and discrimination to move side by side with the United States toward the common goal of expanded world trade, which means expanded consumption and employment and raising standards of living everywhere."

Asking Congress to act on the agreement promptly, the President said the granting of the loan could enable the British to lift import and foreign exchange controls and help re-establish peace-time world trade.—Associated Press.

#### ADDED BENEFITS

Truman said that there would be added benefits in that the loan would permit other nations to relax trade restrictions under the stimulus of renewed British trading.

The whole loan agreement, said the President, referring to the Bretton Woods monetary agreement to which the loan is linked, will be "a great contribution to the establishment of a permanent state of peace and prosperity."

He spoke of the dangers of unchecked "economic rivalry and economic warfare" and said "these dangers can be eliminated by a firm resolution of this country and the United Kingdom to carry forward the work which has been so well begun."

He cited ratification of the United Nations' food and agricultural programme, extension of the reciprocal trade agreements act, and the expansion of the Export and Import Bank, and said that while these were long steps on the road to security for the world, "they should not make us blind to the job that has not been done."

Speaking of what he called a "new concept" (recognition of temporary conditions which make interest payments difficult) the President said:

"It is not to our advantage to press for payment of interest when payment is impossible, and thus force default and a crumbling of international economic relations."

The President said: "Now is the time to establish post-war monetary and financial policies of the United Nations."

#### TROUBLE AHEAD?

Within a few minutes after the message from President Truman, Chairman Brent Spence of the Banking Committee introduced legislation calling for approval.

In the Senate, however, Democratic leader Albert Barkley was "halted in his attempt to introduce similar legislation. He asked unanimous consent for its introduction but Senator William Langer, South Dakota Republican, objected. A filibuster was on and consent would have to be unanimous under the rules."

Barkley said he backed President Truman's request for prompt action and added that the Senate is aware of the "importance of this agreement to our foreign policy and to our economic policy."

Nevertheless, there were unmistakable indications that the loan would face trouble in the Senate.—Associated Press.

#### HOLIDAY RESORT CAPTURED

Saigon, Jan. 30. French communiqué yesterday announced that French forces had broken the back of Annamite resistance in southern Annam and captured Dalet which is 150 miles north-east of Saigon and 50 miles inland from the China sea.

The French used airborne troops to capture Dalet.—Associated Press.

#### GRAIN SHORTAGE

Washington, Jan. 30. Department of Agriculture reports showed that the United States is facing a grain shortage which may reduce livestock feeding and whittle wheat plantings.

Corn supply is less than a year ago and of poorer quality. Wheat supplies are 17 per cent smaller than a year ago which has already caused the Government to reduce export allotments to England.—Associated Press.

#### MESSAGE TO BRITAIN

London, Jan. 30. The new Prime Minister of Persia, Ghanav, Sultanah, has sent a message to the British Prime Minister, in which he expressed his conviction that the British Government and Mr. Attlee in particular will devote their valuable assistance to helping the Persian people to achieve

## Swedes Feed Germany's Children

Hamburg, Jan. 31. The feeding of 55,000 Hamburg children between three and six years old by the Swedish Red Cross has started.

Eleven thousand mothers lined up before the communal kitchens to receive a half litre of thick soup which contained pork and mutton.

Part of the shipment of food which the Red Cross was able to provide came through voluntary collection in Sweden's "Save The Children Campaign."

Swedish officials said that during the next few weeks all of the 55,000 children will benefit from this addition of 300 calories to their daily diet.—Associated Press.

## Crashed Dakota Located

A Dakota that crashed on a mountain top on January 14, half way between Bandung and Batavia, has been found by a party of Indonesian searchers guided to the spot by A.F.N.E.I. Authorities.

This plane, which was carrying a complement of two warrant officers and three R.A.F. other ranks, was last seen flying into a black cloud on the 14th.

Another Dakota returning from Bandung to Batavia on the regular run four days later spotted it where it had crashed. The Indonesian Authorities were asked by H.Q. Allied Forces in the Netherlands East Indies if they would conduct a search on the ground for the plane.

They agreed, and their report of the finding has now been received. It states that all the bodies were lying nearby dead.

The plane appeared to have burst into flames on crashing. The Indonesians have promised to look for any identifications and personal kit which may have belonged to the victims and communicate them to A.F.N.E.I. Authorities.

#### DAKOTA RESCUE

Manila, Jan. 31. The Army yesterday reported that 18 survivors of the crash landing of the transport plane at sea near Formosa were rescued by a flying boat of the 13th Air Force Rescue Squadron and taken to Luzon airport in north-west Luzon.

Two passengers were injured but none were killed.

It was announced in Shanghai earlier that the plane carried 13 passengers and seven crew members.—Associated Press.

## Cameras For Atom Test

New York, Jan. 31. Cameras atop 100-foot-steel towers have been arranged in a ring around warships in Bikini atoll which will photograph the Navy's atom bomb tests. They will be automatically operated by remote control by radio on distant ships. Other cameras will take pictures from airplanes flying at safe distances.

In addition, several piloted planes operated by remote control will carry cameras closer to the scene of operations.

Arrangements with elaborate precautions to be taken to safeguard equipment and films have been announced with approval of the Navy Security Office in Washington by the Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corporation.—Associated Press.

## A TOP SECRET

Washington, Jan. 30. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes said today that publication of the Allied agreement at Yalta that Russia was to take over possession of the Kuriles, would have warned Japan that Russia intended to enter the Pacific War.

In answer to questions from newsmen, Byrnes said that he saw no reason why the terms of the Kuriles agreement should not be published now, but that it had rightly been previously classified as a top military secret.

He said that Allied military leaders knew of the agreement but that he himself did not know of it until a few days after the Yalta Conference before the agreement.—Associated Press.

#### DANUBE DANGER

London, Jan. 30. Budapest radio said yesterday the flood swollen waters of the Danube backed up by icefields and wreckage of bridges destroyed by the war are menacing the city of Budapest.—Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 29. President Truman told congressional aides today he would send a message to Congress this week asking approval of the projected \$3,750,000,000 loan and other credits to Britain.—Associated Press.

## Nazi Lynch Law For Captured Fliers

NUERNBERG, JAN. 31. NAZI LEADERS SPONSORED A LYNCH LAW FOR AMERICAN AND BRITISH FLIERS IN REPRISAL FOR LOSING THE AIR WAR IN 1944, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS PRESENTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL SHOWED YESTERDAY.

OVER OBJECTIONS FROM GENERAL ALFRED JODL'S COUNSEL, THE FRENCH PROSECUTION INTRODUCED A SHEAF OF WEHRMACHT RECORDS NAMING HERMANN GOERING, JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP, WILHELM KEITEL, JODL AND ERNST KALTENBRUNNER AS PARTICIPATING IN A DECISION TO ALLOW GERMAN MOBS TO HANG OR SHOOT POLICE TO SHOOT ENEMY "TERROR" AIRMEN SHORTLY AFTER THE NORMANDY LANDING.

A special meeting on D-Day, June 6, 1944 at the Fuehrer Headquarters found the Nazis agreeing that "lynch law will be the rule—it will not be a question for judgment by a Tribunal or handling by police."

Rudolf Hess' application to be his own defense attorney was denied by the Tribunal as "not in his interest."

The court removed Gunther von Rohrscheldt, now hospitalized with a broken ankle, as counsel for the former deputy Fuehrer and appointed Dr. Otto Stammer, Hermann Goering's counsel, to handle Hess' case.

"FIRED" BY HESS. Rohrscheldt was injured in an accidental fall and was "fired" by Hess the same day last week. The Nazi wrote him a curt note saying he wished no lawyer, but would conduct his own defense.

It took the tribunal a full week to ponder what to do with Hess' problem.

Rohrscheldt, meanwhile, continued to prepare the defense brief in the hospital.

Hess, who sits besides Goering in the prisoners' dock, failed to show a flicker of emotion when presiding Judge Lawrence ordered him to accept the help of Goering's attorney.

It was assumed that Rohrscheldt, who had been hailed by Hess' actions, would turn over the papers to Stammer.—Associated Press.

#### R.A.F. INQUIRY

London, Jan. 31. Mr. John Strachey, Under Secretary of State for Air, yesterday told the House of Commons that an inquiry into the so-called strikes of R.A.F. personnel in the Far East would be conducted by R.A.F. officers to determine the causes of discontent and fix responsibility for the outbreaks.

Pressed by a barrage of questions from Parliament, Strachey said that the Air Force did not have the facilities to increase the air-grounding programme for replacing or returning R.A.F. men from Far Eastern duty by plane.

—Associated Press.

#### MUKDEN WITHDRAWAL

Chungking, Jan. 30. The "Ta Kung Pao" in a dispatch from Changchun reported yesterday that all Soviet troops south of Mukden would be withdrawn by the end of this month.

Withdrawal of Soviet troops north of Mukden, however, cannot be completed by Feb. 1, as originally scheduled, because of "transportation difficulties," the paper added.—Associated Press.

#### SINKING SITUATION

Chungking, Jan. 30. Reports here today said Government forces in Sinkiang at present outnumbered by insurgents are being reinforced slowly.

—Associated Press.

## TO-NIGHT

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International  
For Singapore

Singapore, Jan. 31.  
A famous rugby international  
Group Captain C.E.S.T.J. Beamish, D.F.C., has been appointed  
commanding officer of the R.A.F. base,  
Solestar.

Group Captain Beamish is one  
of four brothers all of whom have  
served in the R.A.F. All were  
well known rugby players at  
home and he himself was an  
Irish international from 1933 to  
1937.

At the outbreak of war he was  
in command of 23 Fighter Squadron  
and became one of the first  
night fighter pilots. For his work  
against the German night raiders  
he was awarded the D.F.C.

In May last year, Group Captain  
Beamish took over 347 Photographic  
Reconnaissance Wing. Sections of which  
are now stationed at points all over South-East  
Asia.

At Solestar, he succeeded Group  
Captain Geoffrey Francis, D.S.O.,  
D.F.C., who flew the first Sunderland  
and flying back to re-enter Singapore  
after the Japanese surrender.  
Group Captain Francis, who is  
returning to England to take  
up a new appointment, has served  
eight out of the past ten years  
in Singapore, Ceylon, Malaya,  
Greece, Crete and in the  
South West Pacific.

## LOUIS PLANS TRAINING

Indianapolis, Jan. 31.  
Joe Louis told reporters here  
he would begin preliminary training  
at French Lick, Ind., on  
March 1 for defense of his world  
heavyweight boxing championship  
against Billy Conn June 15.—Associated  
Press.

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F. A. CUP: BRADFORD'S  
GREAT WIN

LONDON, JAN. 30.  
THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP FOURTH  
ROUND RESULTS OF RETURN MATCHES ARE AS  
FOLLOWS:

Aldershot 1 Brighton 4  
(Aldershot eliminated 1-7);  
Liverpool 2 Bolton 0 (Liverpool  
eliminated 2-5); Manchester  
City 2 Bradford 8 (Manchester  
eliminated 5-9); Queen's Park  
Rangers 4 Southampton 3  
(Southampton eliminated 5-3);  
Watford 1 Birmingham 1 (Wat-  
ford eliminated 1-6); West  
Bromwich 1 Derby 3 (West  
Bromwich eliminated 1-4); West  
Ham 1 Chelsea 0 (West Ham  
eliminated 1-2); Wolves 1  
Charlton 1 (Wolverhampton eli-  
minated 3-6); York 1 Wednes-  
day 6 (York eliminated 2-11);  
Preston 3 Manchester United 1  
(Manchester eliminated 2-3)  
after extra time; Middles-  
brough 3 Blackpool 2 (aggre-  
gate 5-5, match abandoned owing  
to bad light after extra  
time had been played).

In the Scottish League Divi-  
sion B Cup first round the Dun-  
fermline-East Fife match was  
postponed owing to weather con-  
ditions.

## GOLDEN INJURED

Great interest was taken in  
the Football Association Cup tie  
between West Ham and Chelsea  
at Upton Park, where the gates  
had to be closed with 35,000 in  
the ground half an hour before  
the start.

Ten minutes after the game  
began, Goulden broke his collar  
bone and was taken to hospital.  
Hall scored for the home team  
(West Ham—just before the in-  
terval. Both sides missed second-  
half chances and, with no fur-  
ther scoring, Chelsea pass into  
the next round. Chelsea's de-  
fence was sound. The pitch was  
difficult.

Liverpool made eight changes  
in their game with Bolton. They  
tried hard, the Bolton defence  
often being under great pres-  
sure, but their 2-0 win was not  
sufficient.

The Wolves held Charlton to  
a draw, but the latter had a  
three-goal advantage on the first  
game and pass into the fifth  
round. York City again went  
down badly at home to  
Sheffield Wednesday, for whom  
Tomlinson scored three suc-  
cessive goals.

Queen's Park Rangers again  
had a goal to spare over South-  
ampton, their centre-forward,  
Addinall, getting the hat-trick  
in the first half.

AMATEUR'S FEAT  
Watford held Birmingham to  
a draw, but the latter had most  
of the play.

Derby County repeated their  
win over West Bromwich, and  
although Doherty was unfit,  
their forwards were better to-  
gether, Carter being outstand-  
ing.

One of the most surprising re-  
sults was Bradford's great win  
over Manchester City. The am-  
ateur international centre-for-  
ward, A. H. Gibbons, was in  
great form, getting four goals  
for the winners.

Extra time was necessary be-  
fore Preston got through into  
the next round at the expense  
of Manchester United, while at  
Middlesbrough the teams were  
level on aggregate after extra  
time when the game had to be  
abandoned owing to bad light.  
—Reuter.

## After Record

Los Angeles, Jan. 31.  
The Lockheed jet plane, the  
P-80, will go after the world  
speed record over the Muroc  
lake area in March, army offi-  
cials announced. The present  
speed record of 606 miles per  
hour was established last No-  
vember by a British jet plane.  
Confident Lockheed officials  
pointed out that their P-80  
averaged 580 miles per hour on  
a recent flight across the Uni-  
ted States.—Associated Press.

RUGGER PLAYER TO  
RETIRE

Cardiff, Jan. 31.  
W. Travers, Newport hooker,  
has announced his retirement  
from rugby. Travers first played  
for Newport in 1935 and suc-  
ceeded his father, George Travers,  
as Welsh hooker. He toured South  
Africa with the British rugby  
team in 1938-39 and headed the  
team's list of appearances.

Travers definitely states that he  
does not intend to play for Wales  
or any other team—rugby or am-  
ateur—with the "rugby" football.  
Wales' Ross, Wales' secretary,  
says: "Officially, we know nothing  
about it." —Reuter.

Singapore, Jan. 31.  
The Japanese language will be  
eliminated from all domestic tele-  
graphic traffic in Korea by March  
1, said a directive from General  
MacArthur's headquarters in  
Philippines.—Associated Press.

Superman  
For Soccer

LONDON, JAN. 31.  
The team manager for future  
England football sides, who will  
tell the men what to eat and drink  
and when to sleep and smoke and  
decide their entertainment, is to  
be appointed as soon as the Foot-  
ball Association can find the right  
man, which is no easy job.

This man, who will also super-  
vise tactics, style, and providing  
an adequate supply of kit, will be  
the man chiefly responsible for  
keeping England's soccer prestige  
the highest in the world.

In making this announcement,  
the Football Association's memo-  
randum says: "The appointment  
of such an official, who might also  
undertake extension of the Foot-  
ball Association coaching scheme  
would ensure continuity of style  
against these continental coun-  
tries, who have for some time  
adopted such a measure."

This move has met with general  
approval in the British press, but  
it is stressed that it will be essen-  
tial for the manager to have the  
selected players in care for at  
least two weeks. This, naturally,  
is an excellent idea, but what will  
the players and League clubs say  
to this? There is little doubt of  
their firm opposition.—Reuter.

Another Shock  
To Pride

TOKYO, JAN. 31.  
Physique-minded Japan com-  
pared its average male citizen  
with the American-born Nisei  
soldiers and found the difference  
"conspicuous."

"It must come as a revelation  
to Japanese people to see Niseis  
who are of the same racial stock  
as themselves so superior to the  
average Japanese in physical  
build and bearing," the "Nippon  
Times" commented to-day, in  
an editorial.

"Difference in physique be-  
tween Japanese and Niseis also  
suggests that military drills and  
regimented calisthenics which  
heretofore have been given such  
prominence in this country, are  
of dubious physical value."—As-  
sociated Press.

LEAGUE FUNDS  
FOR U.N.O.

LONDON, JAN. 31.  
The last United Nations Or-  
ganisation committee to start its  
work was the one specially ap-  
pointed to preside over the trans-  
fer of the old League of Nations  
funds to the U.N.O.

Ambassador Erik Colban of  
Norway was elected Chairman,  
while Sheikh Hafiz Wahba, Ara-  
bian Minister to London, was ap-  
pointed Vice-Chairman.

The committee will have to  
study and recommend adoption of  
an agreement with the League of  
Nations, whereby the funds would  
be transferred to the U.N.O. be-  
fore August 1, 1946. As report-  
ed by the Central Committee of  
the League of Nations, its assets,  
including buildings, furniture and  
libraries in Geneva totalled more  
than \$5,000,000 Swiss francs.—  
Associated Press.

## PIPELINE PROJECT

Haifa, Jan. 31.  
The Iraq Petroleum Company is  
to construct a 16-inch pipe-line  
from Kirkuk (Iraq) to Tripoli,  
parallel to the 12-inch line already  
in existence, it was announced  
yesterday.

The work will begin on this  
project as soon as the new pipe  
from Kirkuk to Haifa, Palestine  
is completed.

It is expected that the 530-mile  
Kirkuk-Tripoli line will be started  
in 1948 and finished in 1949. Its  
annual capacity will be 4,000,000  
tons.—Reuter.

## DESTRUCTION SCANDAL

Washington, Jan. 31.  
Representative John Coffee, De-  
mocrat of Washington, yesterday  
asked the War Department to  
investigate reports of Government  
property in the Pacific being de-  
stroyed rather than returned to  
the United States. He said he  
had received reports that large  
quantities of blankets, trunks,  
jeans and other equipment being  
shown away.—Associated Press.

## JAP LANGUAGE TO GO

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91 For Grand  
National

LONDON, JAN. 31.  
Britain's first post-war Grand  
National, running at Aintree on  
April 6 for the first time since  
1940, looks like having the biggest  
field that this great steeplechase  
has had since 1929, when 99 went  
to the post.

This year's race has surpris-  
ingly attracted 91 nominations  
against the record number of 121  
in 1929. Owners evidently believe  
that as there has been no chasing  
in Aintree for six years when  
"Bogsear" won the race, a certain  
amount of equality exists with  
handicapping, thereby giving their  
horses a chance to win this rich  
prize.

In 1940 there were only 40 en-  
tries. Among this year's entrants  
only three have previously tackled  
the formidable Aintree obstacles.  
They are "Bogsear", Scottish-  
trained horse, "MacMoffat", who  
was second in both 1939 and 1940,  
and "Black Hawk", who fell both  
these years.

Five French horses have enter-  
ed, including "Kangal", who is the  
best chaser in France and winner  
of the Grand Steeplechase at  
Auteuil. Elre provides the big-  
gest entry ever, including the fa-  
vourite, "Prince Regent".—Reuter.

## CHILEAN CLASH

Santiago, Jan. 31.  
Bernardo Azavedo Zuleta, deputy  
leader of the Chilean Communist  
Party, told Chilean workers yester-  
day to prepare for an indefi-  
nite strike if the government by  
midnight still has not named a  
cabinet "suitable to the interests  
of labour."

Zuleta spoke in a cemetery  
where huge crowds, including  
members of the striking Chilean  
Confederation of Labour attended  
the burial of six persons who  
were killed in a clash with the  
police on Monday.—Associated  
Press.

## SIEGE TO BE LIFTED

Santiago, Chile, Jan. 31.  
The Chilean Workers' Federa-  
tion called off its nationwide strike  
at 6 a.m. to-day. This action was  
taken after the Government had  
pledged that the state of siege  
would be lifted if the Federation  
ended its strike and if "the coun-  
try's situation is completely nor-  
malised by to-day."—Associated  
Press.

## ISOLATED INCIDENTS

Shanghai, Jan. 31.  
Lieut. General Albert C. Wedemeyer, American Commander in  
the China Theatre, declared yester-  
day "there have been sporadic  
isolated incidents" when he re-  
ferred to reports of clashes be-  
tween Government and Commu-  
nist troops. He said the  
"cease fire" order in North China  
was being gradually implemented  
completely.

Wedemeyer also said that ne-  
gotiations were under way to sell  
China commercial ships but that  
none have been given to China.  
—Associated Press.

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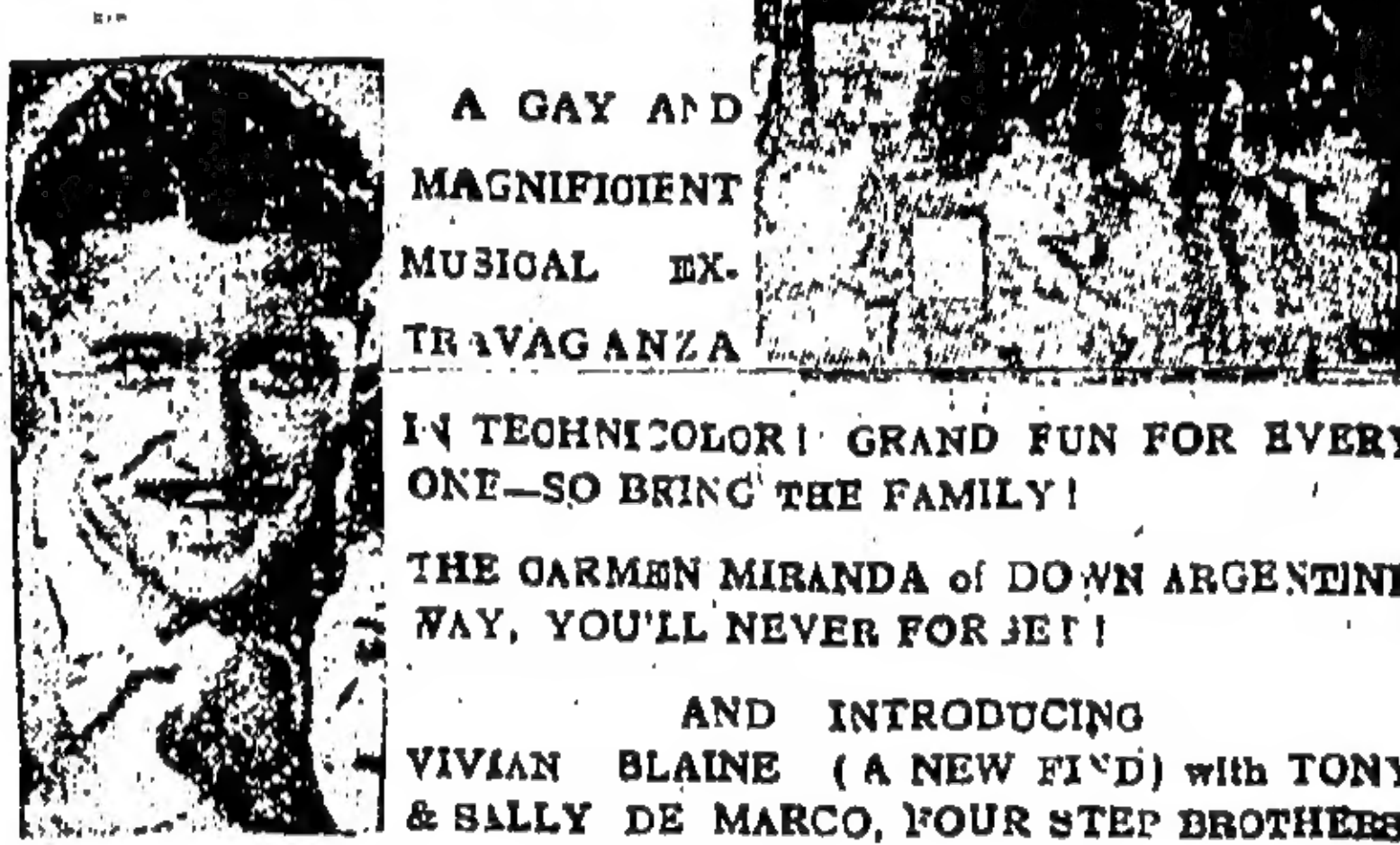
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